

line 12, after "concentration" ~~insert~~ —was—;

line 20, after "has" ~~insert~~ —a—;

line 21, delete "irritation" and ~~insert~~ therefor —of the irritating—;

line 26, delete "was used".

Page 12, line 1, after "juice" ~~insert~~ —was used—;

line 10, delete "satl" and ~~insert~~ therefor —salt—;

line 17, after "concentration" ~~insert~~ —was—, and after "reduced"

~~insert~~ —to—.

Page 13, line 4, after "has" ~~insert~~ —a—;

line 5, delete "irritation" and ~~insert~~ therefor —irritating—;

line 16, delete "irritation" and ~~insert~~ therefor —of the irritating—;

line 26, delete "irritation" and ~~insert~~ therefor —irritating—, and after

"and" ~~insert~~ —which are—.

**In the Claims:**

Please rewrite claim 1 in amended form as follows.

Sub D1  
1. (Amended) A method for producing a fruit vinegar, which comprises  
subjecting at least one member selected from the group consisting of [a flavorful acid citrus  
fruit juice with a low citric acid content and the dilution thereof,] lemon juice, lime juice, yuzu  
juice, kabosu juice, sudachi juice and shii kuwasa juice in the presence of alcohol (ethanol), to  
acetic acid fermentation by acetic acid bacteria.

Please amend claim 9 as follows.

Lines 2-3 delete "a rapid brewing method" and ~~insert~~ therefor —using an  
acetator—.